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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Buerke, *et al.* Docket No.: INF-118  
Serial No.: 10/724,136 Art Unit: 2811  
Filed: December 1, 2003 Examiner: Hung K. Vu  
For: Low Resistance Barrier For A Microelectronic Component And Method For  
Fabricating The Same

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT WITH RCE**

Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are presented in response to the Examiner's  
Advisory Action mailed September 12, 2005. Please amend the above-referenced application as  
follows.